

Community Presbyterian Church

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Life in Community

June 7, 2020

Welcome to worship this morning!

*Bulletin Cue: **Bold** indicates congregational response.*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mighty Wind, who danced over the deep and surveyed the void,

make us ready for your creative purpose.

Divine Word, who spoke to chaos and called forth light and life,

open us to new expressions of grace.

Eternal Artist, who formed us in your likeness and claimed us as kin,

re-form us to be bearers of your blessing.

Holy Trinity—Creator, Christ, Spirit—who made all things good,

gather us in, then send us out, to echo creation's song:

How majestic is your name in all the earth!

OPENING HYMN GTG 1 Holy, Holy, Holy

verses 1 and 3

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.

CALL TO CONFESSION

It is only by the power of God that we are able to stand against evil.
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

CONFESSION

O God of Creation, liberation, and new life,
We come to you in prayer naming the "old ways" to which we cling:
thoughtless stereotypes based on race;
unearned privileges that are ours because of gender or skin color;

Forgive us; make us aware of our complacency.

O God, we confess our unintentional complicity in racism,
our acceptance of structures that privilege some of us over others.
our reluctance to speak out against all that diminishes other human beings;
help us to see how caring for the favored few has led to the neglect of many.

Forgive us; open our eyes to your truth.

We long to have new hearts created within us.
We long to help overturn injustice and create a new way of living.
We long for a world that honors the dignity of each person.
We long for better relationships, O God, that share your abundant gifts.

**Forgive us; heal and transform us and our institutions
so that the rainbow of humanity may be fully reflected.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim
the gospel of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC

His Eye is on the Sparrow
by Charles H. Gabriel

Dani Schmalz, flute

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak,
and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

RESPONSIVE READING based on Genesis 1:1-2:4

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a shapeless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

And God saw that the light was good.

On the second day, God created the earth and the sky.

And God saw that it was good.

On the third day, God created the seas and the dry land, and plants to grow on the land.

And God saw that it was good.

On the fourth day, God created the sun and moon, planets and stars.

And God saw that it was good.

On the fifth day, God created living creatures to fly in the sky, and swim in the sea, and move over the land.

And God saw that it was good.

On the sixth day, God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us." So human beings were created in God's own image, in the image of God they were created, both male and female in the image of God.

God saw everything that was made and indeed, it was very good.

And on the seventh day, God rested.

SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

This text is Paul's final blessing to the people of Corinth. It is important not only because he describes how Christians live together, but also because it mentions the three parts of God we have come to know as "The Trinity."

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 700 I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me *verses 1 and 2*

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so) God can use me an - y -

where, Lord, an - y - time! I'm gon-na
 (an - y - time!) I'm gon-na

live so (live so) God can use me an - y -
 work so (work so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (my Lord,) (an - y - time!)

JOYS AND CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, our Savior,

hear our prayer.

OFFERING GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

(In lieu of a time of offering, people are invited to unmute one by one and share something that has inspired gratitude or given them hope in this past week; when all who desire to do so have spoken, we will collectively pray in response.)

PRAYER

God of life, of all life and of each life, we lay our own lives before you; we give our lives to you. In this time of global crisis, we give thanks for all your continued care, not for us alone, but for your whole suffering and precious world. We are yours, today and eternally.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE AND GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

It is truly right and our great joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe. ...

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (GTG 552) Holy, Holy, Holy

verse 1

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/ BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all.

Amen.

SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

CLOSING HYMN GTG 379

We Shall Overcome

verses 1 and 2

CHARGE AND BLESSING

God, the Three-in-One, the eternal dance of self-giving love,
Calls us out of ourselves and into communion with all people;
And sends us out in the power of the Spirit to welcome all.

Thanks be to God.

May God the Creator bless you;
May God the Son walk with you;
May God the Spirit lead your lives with love.

Amen

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We Shall Overcome

1 We shall o - ver - come; we shall o - ver - come;
 2 We'll walk hand in hand; we'll walk hand in hand;
 3 We shall live in peace; we shall live in peace;
 4 We are not a - fraid; we are not a - fraid;
 5 God will see us through; God will see us through;

we shall o - ver - come some - day.
 we'll walk hand in hand some - day.
 we shall live in peace some - day.
 we are not a - fraid to - day.
 God will see us through to - day.

Refrain

O, deep in my heart I do be -

lieve we shall o - ver - come some - day!

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TODAY AT CPC

Sunday, June 7

9:30 am Online Worship Service
with Communion

THIS WEEK AT CPC

Tuesday, June 9

12:00 pm Bulletin Information Due

12:00 pm Conference Call *

6:30 pm Building & Grounds Committee

Wednesday, June 10

6:30 am Prayer Group

6:00 pm Online Confirmation Class

Friday, June 12

12:00 pm Conference Call *

Sunday, June 14

9:30 am Online Worship Service



Judy Leal
Jane, Ed, Elissa and Burgstaler family
Connie Holst
MariLynn Johnson
Louis Bouchard and his mother
Gwen Riffin's niece and family
Marcia Britain and family

*To be added to the prayer list,
please contact the church office at
507-280-9291 or*

email office@cpcrochester.org.

*For emergency pastoral care,
call Pastor Jan at 763-219-2927.*

Online Worship

Sundays 9:30 – 10:30am

<https://meet.google.com/vao-wjef-cbe>

+1 575-305-4527 PIN: 652 821 468 #

* **Tuesday/Friday Conference Call**

<https://meet.google.com/kee-rcys-sdh>

+1 413-889-2244 PIN: 433 818 991#

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Choir Director	Meg Cain
Handbell Director	Judy Kereakos
Pianist	Glenna Muir
Custodian	Nancy Sanford
Office Manager	Stephanie Pasch

Serving in Worship Today

Liturgist	Nathan Kopecky
IT Support	Ronda and Bill Marshall
Special Music	Dani Schmalz